

Docket No.: 4179-128

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As the below-named inventor, Tilak M. Shah, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "**EXTRUSION LAMINATE POLYMERIC FILM ARTICLE AND GASTRIC OCCLUSIVE DEVICE COMPRISING SAME**", the specification of

(check one) is attached hereto.
 was filed on _____ as Application No. _____
 and was amended _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination and patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

**STEVEN J. HULTQUIST, REG. NO. 28,021
MARIANNE FUERER, REG. NO. 39,983
TRISTAN FUERER, REG. NO. 52,926**

All correspondence in connection with this application should be sent to:

**Steven J. Hultquist
Intellectual Property/Technology Law
P. O. Box 14329
Research Triangle Park, NC 27709
Telephone: (919) 419-9350**

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Full Name of Sole Inventor: **Tilak M. Shah**

Inventor's Signature Tilak M. Shah Date 4/1/04

Residence Address: 104 Lochberry Lane, Cary, North Carolina 27511

Citizenship: USA

Mailing Address: 104 Lochberry Lane, Cary, North Carolina 27511
(if different from Residence Address)